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On Jan 23, 2017, 10:33 AM -0400, John Jamieson <jdjamieson@gov.pe.ca>, wrote:

Good morning Peter,

I was forwarded your email to Premier MacLauchlan (Jan 11/17) regarding the possibility of moving forward with a pilot project(s) where local food is included in a Provincial Lunch Program.

I want to let you know that I have staff engaged in the project (in conjunction with Department of Education staff). Our policy section is working on some of the background information that will help us plan the path forward so something can be launched in the fall of 2017. We are also working on identifying funding opportunities that we can designate to the project in our department's 17/18 budget.

I expect my policy staff will soon have the background information needed and, at that time, we will arrange a meeting that will include yourself and whomever you wish to have join you.

I attended the session sponsored by the Home and School Association with Chef Geraci and am quite excited about our department playing a role in moving this forward. Ministers Mclsaac and Currie and MLA Kathleen Casey are all quite involved in the project as well.

I'll be in touch with you soon.

John

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